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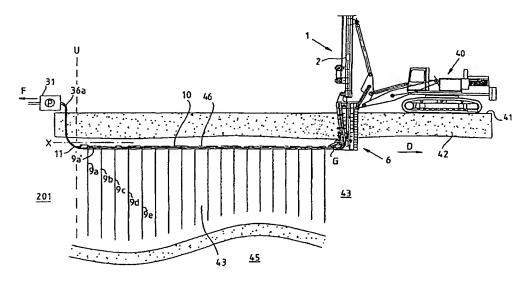
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(54) Title: SOIL DRAINAGE SYSTEM



(57) Abstract: System for withdrawing liquid, in particular water, from a soil area, such as for consolidating it, comprising a series of spaced apart draining means extending downwardly, in particular substantially vertically, in the soil and a substantially horizontally extending drainage line, which is arranged in the soil for receipt of the soil fluid passed through the downwardly extending drainage means and which in a transitional area in a border area of the soil area to be treated, such as to be consolidated, changes into a pump line which leads to a pump positioned outside of the oil area to be treated, an oversize of line length being provided in the transitional area prior to making the system operational.

